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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MAY 30TH, 1907.

That indispensable body, the Chamber of Commerce, marked the passing of a very busy year yesterday. The nature of the work done, with its great variety of headings all intimately associated with the commercial progress of Hongkong, is sufficiently indicated in the report of which we give a very full abstract in connection with our report of the proceedings at the annual meeting. Currency reform is a standing dish, of course, and the correspondence published by the Chamber contains little with which our readers are not already familiar. It opens with an undated letter from Messrs. A. S. J. DAVIS & Co., emphasizing the great importance to the trade of the port of "this matter", and hoping the Chamber would bring all the pressure it could on the Chinese Government "to remedy the present unsatisfactory system." The letter did not suggest a remedy, and it was probably quite incorrect in attributing the slackened demand for Indian yarn to the depreciation in the value of the Chinese silver subsidiary coins. The Chamber in reply was of opinion that the reason given for the unsatisfactory state of the import trade (especially yarn) was not the sole or even chief cause of the existing depression. It might have gone further and said it had nothing whatever to do with it. What has the Indian yarn importer, selling to Chinese dealers who sell to inland consumers, suffered from the depreciation of subsidiary coins? Not a cent. The troubles of the yarn market are quite easily explained, but not in that way. Messrs. Davis's letter was of the helpless, "something-ought-to-be-done" order, and the Chamber's reply, that it was

doing all it could, was correct and sufficient. The next was the letter from the secretary of the Star Ferry Company, made public at the time. In that letter, it will be remembered, the Hon. Mr. Osborne offered theories that were at least intelligible and plausible for the degradation of British subsidiary coinage, and ventured to suggest that these latter should be rehabilitated and protected by making them legal tender to any amount, to the exclusion of all other coins, and by (as would thus follow) the Government pledging itself to redeem all its coins at par. To this the Chamber was less sympathetic. It did not agree that the Government which issued these coins had any such duty, but that because their intrinsic value was less than that of the dollars, their exchange value was naturally liable to fluctuate according to supply and demand. That the Government should sell five coins for a dollar (which cost them less) on the strength of their credit, and afterwards refuse to give a dollar for them, may be natural and right, but it doesn't seem so. In any case, unless some such suggestion as Mr. Osborne's is given a trial, it seems little use hoping for any outcome from indirect petitions to the Chinese Government to reform. It would seem that local legislation should be easier to start, but the Chamber could not see their way to make any representation for legislation. Meanwhile we are entitled to refuse Chinese coins—a hard thing to start—and the third joint representation via the diplomatic corps at Peking is on its way to the Throne, in terms as published the other day.

The 55th plague case was recorded yesterday. According to the "Native Press" at Canton, it is true that an Imperial Edict has been issued reappointing Shun Viceroy of Canton. On Viceroy Shun's arrival, Chou Fu will proceed to Peking to await another appointment.

Yesterday morning between five and six o'clock there was an unrelieved exhibition of electric fireworks in Des Vaux Road Central, caused by some defect apparently in an insulator on one of the Tramway Co's standards opposite Alexandra Building.

Sapper Rogers, R.E., Mrs. Rogers and W. Redmond were charged before Mr. F. A. Hasland at the Police Court yesterday with selling liquor without a licence at the United Club, Queen's Road Central. The case was remanded, defendants being admitted to bail in the sum of \$100 apiece.

We learn that our New Governor, Sir Frederick Lugard, will leave England in June, probably via Tacoma, as he fears he will be unable to catch the Empress Steamer which is to leave Vancouver on June 18th. Sir Frederick and Lady Lugard, despite their many travels, have never been further East than Burma, so naturally they are looking forward with eager anticipations to making their first acquaintance with Hongkong.

An old story is again going round of an experience of the Duke of Connaught while he was in Calcutta. He was out for a walk early one morning, and stopped to speak to an old soldier, who wore a Mutiny medal. "In the army yourself?" asked the old man. The duke admitted that he was. "Getting on well?" was the next question. The duke replied that he seemed to be doing fairly well, though perhaps not so well as he could have wished. "No, and you never will," was the veteran's retort. "You want a powerful lot of influence behind you to make anything of a show in the army to-day. You take my tip, and check it!"

Mr. Werner Laurie is issuing shortly in his Library of Sports, The Golfers' Manual by Mr. W. Butler, and Dr. Macnamara has found time to write an amusing introduction to the volume. This work is an exposition of the elementary principles of the game for beginners in a simple and direct way, so as to prevent the adoption of wrong methods at the outset. The rules of golfers are daily being reinforced by a class of players whose opportunities for sound tuition are much restricted; and the absence of such facilities may have, in most cases, already resulted in a style that needs prompt and effective amendment if any substantial progress is to be secured.

The following information concerning the trade of Mukden, furnished by the Mukden Treasury, has been received from his Majesty's Consul-General there (Mr. H. E. Fulford, C.M.G.), and is published in the *Board of Trade Journal* of April 25. The principal goods coming into Mukden are foreign yarn, kerosene oil, flour, and piece goods, which come by way of Niu-chwang; grain from the neighbouring districts and from Hai Cheng and Kai Ping; coal from the Eastern hills; native cloth from Shan-tung and Chile; native opium from the province of Kirin; foreign opium from Niu-chwang; tobacco from Kirin and Tientsin and the surrounding districts; and raw cotton, cotton fabric, sea products, paper, cigars, and cigarettes from Japan by way of Dalny. The annual value of the import of these goods are approximately as follows:—Grain 8,000,000 taels, coal 3,000,000 taels, cotton goods 1,000,000 taels, silk and satin goods 200,000 taels, opium 600,000 taels, tobacco 300,000 taels, foreign piece goods and sundries 5,000,000 taels. The principal goods that go out though not produced in Mukden, are bean-cake, raw silk, samshu, and tobacco leaf, the total annual value of these being about 15,000,000 taels.

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THE DISTURBANCES NEAR SWATOW.

SWATOW, May 29th.
No anxiety is felt here in connection with the rioting which has taken place in the neighbourhood of Wongkong. No attack on Swatow is expected.

[RUSSIA'S SERVICE.]

THE RAND STRIKE.

LONDON, May 29th.
Nine tenths of the underground white miners on the Rand are now on strike, and the engineers are taking a ballot on the question of joining.

THE JAPANESE IN FORMOSA.

LONDON, May 27th.
The Japanese in Formosa have resolved to finally subjugate the whole region of the east coast; the natives number only 100,000, but hold 70,000 square miles of the richest territory.

THE VISIT OF PRINCE FUSHIMI.

LONDON, May 27th.
Prince Fushimi, accompanied by the Duke of Connaught and Lord Roberts, inspected the Household Brigade, to day, in London.

THE OPIUM QUESTION.

LONDON, May 27th.
Mr. Churchill, in the absence of Sir Edward Grey, answering Sir H. Cotton, said that the papers about the effect of the anti-opium regulations in China would be laid on the table of the House when the information was definite enough. The Government had not yet replied to the Chinese Government's proposals of November regarding India, and they were still under consideration. The Government hopes, however, to vary shortly be in a position to reply.

INTERNATIONAL COURTESIES.

LONDON, May 27th.
A party of representative English editors have arrived at Bremen to return the visit of the German editors to England in 1906.

THE SWATOW REBELLION.

Sam To I, the officer in charge of the prefectures of Waichow, Chingchow and Keyingchow, has sent a telegram to the Viceroy at Canton which states that Commandant Wong, with 300 soldiers encountered the rebels some distance from Wongkong. In the fighting which ensued, about 100 of the rebels were killed or wounded, among the number of the former being the ringleader of the rebellion. A number of rifles and banners were seized by the troops. Many of the rebels being in want of arms, are deserting their cause and journeying to other parts. The telegram concludes by asking the Viceroy to inform the soldiers who have been despatched to the scene of the uprising to proceed with all haste.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 29th at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has risen along the Yangtze, and fallen over Shantung, W. Japan, the Loochoos, and S. China.

A depression is moving Eastward over the N. part of the Yellow Sea. Pressure is somewhat low also, in the neighbourhood of S. Formosa.

The winds are expected to freshen from N.E. in the Formosa Channel, and along the Northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood { N.E. winds, freshening; fair; Samsun No. 1.

Formosa Channel { Samsun No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Loochoos { Samsun No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan { Samsun No. 1.

SUPREME COURT.

Wednesday, May 29th.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIR FRANCIS JAGGOTT).

AN INDEMNITY CLAIM.

Judgment was delivered in the action brought by Lam Sin Shang and She Wai Chung against Yik Tong to recover \$13,581.94 being money paid by plaintiffs as sureties for defendant on 5th May, 1905, on a promissory note dated 5th August, 1904, and made by the plaintiffs and defendant and one Ho Li Cho, in favour of the International Banking Corporation, and as to \$741.60, money paid, and in the alternative Lam Sin Shang claims the sum of \$13,581.94 under a deed of indemnity, dated 22nd September 1905, made between Lam Sin Shang and the defendant.

Mr. M. W. Wade (instructed by Mr. Wilkinson and Grist), appeared for plaintiffs, and Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. Dixon, of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, appeared for the defendant.

His Honour said:—

In this case Yik Tong, the defendant, was security for Ho Li Cho, the comrade of the Chinese American Commercial Co., and it is admitted on the pleadings that he requested Lam Sin Shang, the plaintiff, to join in the security, executing a deed of indemnity against all losses and charges which he might incur by becoming surety. The first question which is raised on the pleadings is as to the nature of the transaction which took place between the Commercial Company, the International Bank, and Ho Li Cho which led up to the signing of the promissory notes around which this action turns, and compelled Ho Li Cho to come to his sureties a second time for assistance. The evidence is clear that the terms of the agreement which was made were terms of settlement between the moribund company and their comrades of all questions outstanding between them: on the part of the Company in respect of claims which they would certainly have made, rightly or wrongly, against their comrades in respect of a quantity of goods which for one reason or another the Chinese who had ordered them would not take up; and on the part of the comrades, in respect of a claim he had made for wrongful termination of his contract. This agreement, being the winding up of Ho Li Cho's comradship, was, together with all transactions material to bringing about the agreement, part of the comrade's business, and, if occasion arose, came within the contract of suretyship, and therefore falls within the contract of indemnity between the plaintiff and defendant.

The nature of the agreement was that Ho Li Cho should take over the goods for a certain sum, payable in three instalments, represented by three promissory notes at three, six and nine months, for about \$14,000. A fresh security was required by the bank to guarantee the due payment of the promissory notes; and the bank as agents for the Company were to hand over the dock warrants which they held on behalf of the company, on being satisfied with the security offered. Not till this agreement was put through satisfactorily can the comradship, or the security, or the indemnity, be said to have come to an end: nor could the plaintiff get back the deeds which he had deposited. Anything, therefore, in the nature of a further agreement made with the same end in view, the termination of the comradship, must be in continuation of the first agreement, so long as the original relations between the parties were maintained. The mere signing of the promissory notes which were essential to effect the object which all parties had in view did not alter these relations; they took the place of the comrade's security, but were covered by the indemnity; and therefore any liability which fell on the plaintiff by his being called upon to pay the promissory notes must be repaid to him by the defendant. But it was said that the position of the parties had occurred in connection with the signing of the promissory notes. Undoubtedly negotiations went on between all parties concerned, and some others with a view to forming a partnership to buy these goods and start a business with them. If this had been carried through, and the plaintiff had joined the new firm, then undoubtedly they would have put an end to the indemnity. But it fell through, and I cannot incorporate into what actually took place any of the ideas which were appropriate to what it was hoped by some would take place. Neither the firm nor any of the cognate ideas connected with it came into being. Does the introduction of the additional security of the Cheung Yu Hong to the promissory notes make any difference? I think not per se, as it was part of the arrangement come to for terminating the comradship of Ho Li Cho. But it was strenuously contended that the Cheung Yu Hong was something more than parties to the transaction, as I have hitherto described it; that they were to have the warrants as security, which were only to be released as Ho Li Cho could redeem them by proceeds of the goods. If it had been proved satisfactorily, I think this might possibly have had the same effect as the formation of the projected firm. But the facts are against it. The bank certainly was no party to it, or they would never have handed the warrants over to Ho Li Cho; and this of itself negatives the existence of such an arrangement. It is certainly curious that Ho Li Cho should have handed the warrants over to Wai Cheung the managing partner of the Cheung Yu, merely for safe custody. But it would have been still more curious, if they had been handed over to him as securities, for him to have treated them as he in fact did. I am therefore of opinion that this contention fails: that the plaintiff is entitled to judgment on his claim and also on the counter-claim which is made in this connection, with costs.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. A. G. WISE (PUISNE JUDGE).

AN UNFORMED COMPANY.

Leung Yui Tong, of 23, Connaught Road Central, trader, sued Cheung Shau Shan and Yau Tse Tung, of 32, Wing Lok Street, traders, for the recovery of \$500 money paid for shares in a company to be formed by defendants which was not formed. Mr. E. J. Grist, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for plaintiff, while Mr. F. X. d'Almada o Castro represented the second defendant.

It appeared that defendants claimed to be the promoters of a company to be called the Hion Tai Insurance Exchange and Loan Company, and they received from the plaintiff the sum of \$500 in respect of 50 shares, which, however, were never issued. Neither was the company registered nor the money refunded.

Plaintiff said that the defendant promised to return the money if the company was not formed within six months. He was to have been employed in the firm.

His Honour—Where is the defendant?

Mr. d'Almada—He is here.

His Honour—He has had a sprained ankle for some time and would not have been here if I had not made him.

Judgment was entered for plaintiff with costs.

CLAIM FOR BROKERAGE.

Bernard Albert, broker, of 8, Des Vaux Road Central, claimed from Lau Kum Ching and Dang Yang Yang, of 25, Des Vaux Road Central, executors of the will of Dang Chee, deceased, to recover the sum of \$800 being the amount of brokerage on a loan effected by plaintiff, for defendants as executors. Mr. d'Almada o Castro appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. E. J. Grist appeared for the defendants.

Mr. d'Almada explained that the property was originally mortgaged to a party for \$80,000, the mortgage being subsequently transferred to Yu Yung, and the original mortgage became part owner of the property. Yu Yung gave notice calling in the \$80,000, and defendants, as executors of Dang Chee, obtained \$80,000 on mortgage to enable them to pay off this \$80,000 and sundry expenses. Plaintiff, hearing of this, called upon the defendants and asked whether the defendants would give him instructions to secure this \$80,000. They authorised him to do so, and he went to the expense of having the property valued, but for some reason the mortgage fell through. Plaintiff, however, had done all that was required of him. He brought the parties together and arranged the loan. His duties finished there, and he was entitled to his brokerage.

Mr. Grist said that this did not cover all the facts. The property did not belong to the defendants in toto. It belonged half to the defendants and half to the Tang Hok Po who had joined with him a man named Ho Nam, who was his agent, and who also acted for defendants as well as for plaintiff.

His Honour—As a matter of fact Ho Nam was instructed by both parties?

Mr. Grist—Yes. That being so, they must be joined as partners. We don't want to go into the facts until this man Ho Nam, who signed the note of authority with one of the defendants, is joined as defendant.

His Honour—Where is Ho Nam?

Mr. Grist—He is not here.

Mr. d'Almada—He is bankrupt.

His Honour—Oh, you can't make him a party. Where is the official trustee?

Mr. Grist—The proper party to join would be the joint owner. The defendants are joint owners of the property it was proposed to mortgage, or tenants in common.

Mr. d'Almada—I cannot prove that Tang Hok Po gave authority to this man.

Mr. Grist—Some person joined with my client in employing plaintiff as broker. Therefore that person must be joined in these proceedings.

His Honour—I agree with you. My difficult y is who is to join. I don't mind joining anyone.

Mr. d'Almada pointed out that if it turned out that Tang Hok Po never authorised this loan he (Mr. d'Almada) would have to pay the costs.

Mr. Grist—What about me then? (Laughter.)

Supposing that were so I should only be liable for half the judgment.

Finally the case was adjourned in order that another party should be joined, and if the parties could not come to a settlement out of court, his Honour would then decide.

THE RAILWAY LOAN.

Those who wanted the five per cent. bonds of the Imperial Chinese Railways (Canton-Kowloon) loan had, hitherto speaking, to be up with the lack, says the *Globe*. The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation opened the lists at nine o'clock; by noon it had closed them. After that hour applicants for hundreds of thousands of pounds worth of the security arrived, and were sent empty away. The country subscriber who saw the advertisement late stood no chance. It is not surprising that the million and a half should have been snapped up with avidity, because the issue is full of attractions. The price was par, the rate was 5 per cent, there was authorisation by Imperial edict, the principal and interest was unconditionally guaranteed by the Government of China, and finally annual drawings for redemption do not begin until 1920. A premium was quickly established and the loan certainly seems worth appreciably more than par to the investing public. While on this subject it seems to us a pity that the London agents for foreign loans cannot give wider publicity to the numbers of drawn bonds. A provincial reader writes us that he has coupons off four of his last Chinese five per cent. loan bonds the other day, and found when the bank presented them that, as ill-luck would have it, the bonds had all been drawn and that interest had ceased in March. He says his income is only a moderate one, and that the loss of a return on his capital over a period of three months is rather a consideration. Loan agents will probably plead that they advertise the drawn bonds in certain recognised papers at certain specific times, and that holders must make it their business to buy these papers at such times if they never buy them at any other.

THE "STAR" FERRY CO., LTD.

The ninth ordinary annual meeting of the "Star" Ferry Co., Ltd. was held at the office of Messrs. Gibb, Livingston and Co., yesterday afternoon. Sir Paul Chater presided, other shareholders present being Hon. Mr. H. Kewick (director), Hon. Mr. E. Osborne (secretary), Messrs. P. C. Potts, H. Humphreys and Ho Fook.

The SECRETARY read the notice calling the meeting. The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen—With your permission I will take the Report and Accounts as read.

The Profit on Working Account, notwithstanding a decrease of something like a million in the number of passengers carried, and a loss of \$836 in changing subsidiary coins is, you will observe, \$5,024 more than last year, the explanation of this apparent anomaly being that in the latter part of the year we raised the rate of third class passengers, whilst working expenses were less owing to a reduction in the price of coal. The increased profit on Working Account, indeed considerably more than this sum, has however been absorbed in paying for the damage caused by the typhoon of September, to the guide piles at Ice House Street Wharf which were completely destroyed, and to the Wharf itself which under our agreement with the Government, we have to keep in repair, after providing for which there remains sufficient for a 10 per cent. dividend. Gentlemen, deplorable as these losses are, when we remember the havoc wrought on that occasion, and contemplate what others suffered, I think we have cause for congratulation in the fact that our boats escaped with injury so slight that within an hour of the storm ceasing the ferry service was resumed. The reduction in your dividend, which, we hope, is only temporary, is but a small matter compared with what our loss might have been, and I feel sure you will cheerfully accord a word of praise to the crews of the boats who, at no inconsiderable personal danger, saved your property from destruction. A new wharf is being built at Kowloon, this time parallel with the Prawn, which will enable the boats to berth without the loss of time and expenditure of coal, the present one, by reason of its position across the tide, involves. This wharf like its predecessor, of which two thirds were swept away in the typhoon, is being erected at the expense of the Wharf Co., whose property it will remain, and I think we may safely anticipate that when completed, and steamers are once again berthing at the other reconstructed Kowloon Wharves, a revival of former traffic receipts is almost sure to follow. With these remarks I will be pleased to answer any questions shareholders may wish to ask.

No questions were asked, and the CHAIRMAN proposed the adoption of the report and accounts as presented.

Mr. Ho Fook seconded, and the motion was carried.

Mr. Potts moved the election of Mr. A. G. Wood as a director, and the confirmation of the appointment of the Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Ho Fook, and agreed to.

Mr. HUMPHREYS proposed, Mr. POTTS seconded, and shareholders agreed to the reappointment of Messrs. F. Maitland and W. H. Potts as auditors.

The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business gentlemen. Dividend warrants can be had on application.

CANTON.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

May 27th.

TROUBLES NEVER COME SINGLE.

Admiral Li Chan will shortly leave for Lintochow, a short distance from Pakhoi, to quell a disturbance there. As it is seemingly directed against the missionaries, the British Consul here has caused gunboats to go to render the necessary protection. At Yum Chow, not far from this locality, there is also a state of unrest caused by a large band of robbers and the officials have appealed to the Viceroy for a good supply of ammunition in order to cope with them, should things come to a crisis. To make the Viceroy more uneasy in his mind, I hear that he has also received despatches from the authorities at Chaochow Fu and the Hing Yuen Prefecture in Kwangsi complaining of similarly turbulent conditions, and asking him to increase the military forces within their jurisdictions.

LAYING WATERPIPER.

The work of connecting branch pipes with the main, commenced some days ago, and "fearing that troubles may ensue in preventing the people from gathering around to see the work done, the two Magistrates Nam Hoi and Pan Yu, with some police officers, are stationed there to preserve peace."

ARRIVAL OF NEW TARTAR GENERAL.

On the evening of the 25th instant quite a number of officials went to meet the New Tartar General on arrival of the gunboat *Kwong Yuen*. He entered upon his duties on the 26th instant.

THE VALUE OF THE QUEEN.

All teachers of the different schools and colleges here who are in European costumes have been requested by H. E. Chou Fu to grow the queue again. As an inducement they will receive a fifth official rank and money to purchase Chinese dresses if they are willing to sign their names promising to comply with H. E.'s request.

A CURIOUS TELEGRAM.

A telegram received yesterday states that the successor of Viceroy Chou Fu is H. E. Tuen Fang of the two Kiang Provinces and that he will come to Canton as soon as H. E. Shun is able to take over the charge of his Yamen.

NOTICE.

Communications respecting Advertisements, Subscriptions, Printing, Binding, etc., should be addressed to the Manager, Daily Press, only, and special business matters to the Editor.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

KOWLOON DISPENSARY.

NOTICE.

M. H. DEWBURY has been appointed to take charge of the KOWLOON DISPENSARY until further notice.

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Hongkong, 29th May, 1907. 908

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Manila, P.I., May 30, 1907.

SEALED proposals, in triplicate, subject to usual conditions, will be received at this Office until 11 o'clock A.M., July 1, 1907, at which time and place there will be opened in the presence of attending bidders, for furnishing and delivering about six million six hundred thousand (6,600,000) pounds of FROZEN FRESH BEEF and two hundred thousand (200,000) pounds of FROZEN FRESH MUTTON to the Subsistence Department, U.S. Army, at Manila, P.I., during the year ending June 30, 1908. The accepted Bids and Mutton will be admitted free of customs duties. The United States reserves the right to call for no delivery of Fresh Beef or Mutton prior to October 1st or such date between August 1st and October 1st as may be necessary, and to reduce the amounts above specified accordingly, viz., one-third (1/3), or correspondingly less amount, upon reasonable notice to the contractor, or to increase the amount called for with his consent. Each proposal must be accompanied with a bidder's guaranty in the amount of \$20,000.00, or with certified check for that sum on a bank of approved standing in Manila. The bidder to whom the contract is awarded will be required to give bond, Blanks and full information furnished on application to this Office or to the nearest U.S. Consul. Envelopes containing proposals must be marked: "PROPOSALS FOR FROZEN FRESH BEEF AND MUTTON FOR FISCAL YEAR 1908, to be opened July 1, 1907," and addressed to the undersigned.

EDWARD E. DRAVO, Col., A.C.G.,
U.S. Army, Chief Commissary.

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Hongkong, 30th May, 1907. 1002

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Hongkong, 30th May, 1907. 1003

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NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 29th May, 1907. 995

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP,
LONDON, COLOMBO AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"WAKASA MARU".
having arrived from the South Sea, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of plate cutlery, are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 5th June, will be subject to rent.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godown, and Notice of same sent to this Office before the 8th June, or Claims in connection therewith will not be recognised.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 29th May, 1907. 1004

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

THE K.A.L. Steamship

"ABERLOUR".
Captain Barret, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

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Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which time they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 4th June, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd June, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1907. 906

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

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E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1907. 1

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Hongkong, 22nd April, 1907. 675

PUBLIC COMPANIES

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), the 31st day of May, 1907, at Noon, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following Resolutions—

1. That the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be and they are hereby requested and authorized by and on behalf of the Shareholders of the Company to take the steps necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hongkong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof to effect the amendments necessary to the Ordinance under which the Company is incorporated and carrying on business so as to allow of the capital of the Company being from time to time increased from ten millions of dollars to twenty millions of dollars and also for extending the period of the operation of such Ordinance for a further period of 21 years from and including the 14th day of August, 1903, and for continuing all the provisions of Section 3 of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Ordinance 1899 for a further period of 21 years from and including the 14th day of August 1908.

2. That from the date of such new Ordinance coming into operation and becoming effective the Capital of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be increased from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000 by the creation of 40,000 New Shares of \$125 each to be issued at the price of \$30 on the terms after mentioned. Shareholders on the Eastern Registers to pay for their allotments at the rate of Exchange for the Company's demand Bills on London on the day the instalments are due.

3. That the said New Shares be in the first instance, in such manner as the Directors shall determine for that purpose, offered to Shareholders in the proportion of one New Share for every two shares of which on the 31st day of May, 1907, Shareholders shall respectively be the Registered holders, and that any New Shares not accepted by the Shareholders within the time limited by the Directors for that purpose, be disposed of and allotted by the Directors in such manner and at such price as in their discretion they shall think best in the interests of the Company.

4. That the payment of the sum of £30 per Share for each of the said New Shares be made as follows, viz:—

1st instalment of £15 on the 1st day of July, 1907.

2nd and final instalment of £15 on the 1st day of October, 1907.

5. That the Directors issue to Shareholders holding shares and a multiple of five shares a fractional certificate in respect of such shares in excess of or below the multiple and allot one New Share to every person who shall produce two such Fractional Certificates on or before the 1st day of July, 1907, and pay the first instalment in respect thereof.

6. That after payment of the first instalment and pending payment of the remaining instalment, Scrip Certificates in such form as the Directors may determine be issued in respect of such New Shares, entitling the holders on payment of the remaining instalment, and subject to such other terms as to approval, date for lodging scrip certificates and otherwise as the Directors may prescribe, to be registered as the owners of the Shares respectively represented by such Scrip Certificates.

7. That interest at the rate of 5 per centum per annum be allowed out of the profits of the Company on instalments paid in advance of the dates when the same become due, and that registered holders of Scrip Certificates for New Shares be entitled in respect of such New Shares to participate in future dividends on an equality with the old shares, in proportion to the instalments paid up, and from due dates for payment of same.

8. That interest at the rate of 8 per centum per annum be charged on each instalment not punctually paid, and be paid with each such instalment.

9. That all moneys received from premium on the said New Shares be added to the Reserve Funds.

For THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 30th April, 1907. 853

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REGINALD F. C. MASTER,
Hon. Sec. and Treasurer.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1907. 987

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T. H. TAI, Manager.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1907. 916

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EXPEDITIOUS LOADING.
The Holt Line *Agamemnon* put into Colombo on May 9 and began taking in cargo the following morning. She took in 2,500 tons of cargo, mostly tea, and despite the rainy weather and frequent interruptions, the work was finished well within the twenty-four hours; 250 tons in less than twenty-four hours is said to be a record for Colombo. The *Agamemnon* had 1,500 tons of tea on board when she sailed, or 11 million lbs.—the "shipping ton" is 1,000 lbs. and it is worthy of note that the record shipment of tea in a single vessel in recent years is also held by a Holt Line. The *Celebes* took away 1,533,963 lbs. to the United Kingdom in 1903. The unbeaten record for the port was, however, made by the *Port 220* on July 18, 1898, when she shipped no less than 1,611,088 lbs. of tea in Colombo Harbour for London and Hamburg.

THE RUSSO-JAPANESE BANK & THE YANG TSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION (LIMITED).
The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council on the 27th ult. heard an appeal from a judgment of his Majesty's Supreme Court of China and Korea, at Shanghai, of March 16, 1906. The Judges present were Lord Macnaghten, Lord Atkinson, Lord Collins, and Sir Arthur Wilson.

Mr. J. A. Hamilton, K.C., and Mr. John Marshall were counsel for the appellants, Mr. Serabrenik, K.C., Mr. J. C. Lock, and Mr. E. G. M. Carmichael were counsel for the respondents. The arguments were heard in March, before Lord Macnaghten, Lord Atkinson, and Sir Arthur Wilson, when judgment was reserved. Lord Atkinson, in delivering their Lordships' judgment on Friday, said the action was brought by the Russo-Japanese Bank against the Yang-tze Insurance Association (Limited), to recover 105,000 taels on a marine policy effected December 8, 1904, including war risks on 60,000 cases of kerosene oil shipped on board the steamship *Nigretia* to be carried from Shanghai to Vladivostok. One Alexander Serabrenik, a Russian subject, resident in Shanghai, who happened to be the charterer of the *Nigretia*, acting on behalf of the owners of this cargo of kerosene oil, effected this policy of insurance and, having effected it together with the bill of lading and some other documents, with the plaintiffs as a security for certain advances made by them on the account of the owners. The *Nigretia* left the wharf at Shanghai on December 15, and sailed upon the following day. On the 14th the captain of the vessel Samuel Harrison, heard that he was to have two passengers with him on his voyage, and he made preparations accordingly. On his return to his ship from shore on the 16th he found on board Alexander Serabrenik and two persons waiting for him. Serabrenik introduced them as Plesner and Gorenko, two German subjects, and informed them that they were to go to Vladivostok as supercargo, one for the *Nigretia* and the other for a steamship called the *Nordpol*, which had previously sailed for that port. The ship, when off the coast of Korea, was seized by a Japanese cruiser and taken to Sasebo, where it was established as a Prize Court that the two so-called supercargo were Russian naval officers, who had escaped from Port Arthur. The vessel, a torpedo boat, but blown up by the vessel at Sasebo, and were endeavoring to return to Vladivostok in disguise; and by the judgment of that Court, dated April 17th, 1905, the ship, together with her cargo, was condemned as lawful prize of war, on the ground that the said Alexander Serabrenik had attempted to transport to Russia two Russian naval officers under pretence of being supercargo, and the very planned illegal carrying of contraband of war, by reason whereof the 60,000 cases of oil were wholly lost to the plaintiffs. The defendants pleaded, amongst others, the two following defences:—(1) That at the time the policy of insurance was effected the plaintiffs wrongfully concealed from the defendants a material fact then known to them and unknown to the defendants—namely, that two Russian naval officers were aboard the ship, shipped on board the *Nigretia* as supercargo, under pretence that they were citizens of a neutral State; Alexander Serabrenik, wrongfully concealed from the defendants the above-mentioned material fact then known to him and unknown to the defendants; (2) that after the insurance was effected and before the loss the plaintiffs materially increased and changed the risk by causing to be shipped the two Russian naval officers as supercargo, under pretence that they were citizens of a neutral State, or, in the alternative, that Serabrenik, acting as the plaintiffs' general agent, with respect to their interest in the cargo on board the *Nigretia*, materially increased and changed the risk. The action was tried before Sir H. W. de Saumarez, a Judge of the Supreme Court for China and Korea, and a jury. No question was left to the jury on the second defence, and the issue joined thereon was still undetermined. But the following question, amongst others, was left to the jury on the first defence:—Did Serabrenik intend to ship the officers knowing them to be such when he insured on December 9? And the answer given by

the jury was:—"Serabrenik had the intention on or before December 9 to ship Russian officers on the *Nigretia*." On that finding, the Judge entered judgment for the defendants. Thereupon a motion was made by the plaintiffs for a new trial, on the grounds (1) that there was no evidence to sustain the finding of the jury on the above-mentioned question, and (2) in the alternative, that the finding was against the weight of evidence. Judgment was delivered, dismissing that motion with costs, and it was from that judgment the appeal now before their Lordships had been taken. The burden of proving that Serabrenik had on or before December 9, 1904 (the date of the policy), the knowledge that the persons subsequently shipped on the *Nigretia* were Russian officers, and, also, that he with that knowledge had on or before that date formed the intention to ship them, as he afterwards did, rested on the defendants. Serabrenik himself swore that he first met or heard anything about these men five days before their departure, which would be December 10 or 11—that is, one or two days after the policy was effected; and that he did not know that they were Russian officers at any time before they sailed. Some facts proved in evidence were relied upon to show that Serabrenik must, when he met these men, have known they were Russian officers, and that his evidence to the contrary was false. But, even if that contention be well founded, their Lordships were of opinion that there was no evidence whatever to establish what the defendants met establish in order to succeed—namely, that Serabrenik had a quick and accurate knowledge of the men to be shipped before they sailed, or before the time when the policy was effected. He himself swore he knew nothing about the men before December 10 or 11. It was impossible, in the absence of all other evidence, at that point of time, to prove that he knew at an earlier date than that which he named what was the real character of those men simply by showing that the evidence he gave was not to be believed. On the ground, therefore, that the defendants had failed to adduce any evidence to prove that Serabrenik at or before the time when the policy was effected knew that the men to be shipped were Russian officers, and on that ground alone, their Lordships were of opinion that there was no evidence to support the finding of the jury in answer to the question left to them, and that the appeal must accordingly be allowed and a new trial granted. As, however, the question whether Serabrenik knew at any time before he shipped those men as supercargo that they were really Russian officers was not raised, on the ground of the above-mentioned facts, and determined by the jury, the defendants thought it more desirable to obtain from the evidence given at the trial what would suffice to sustain a finding in favour of the defendants on that issue. Their Lordships would, therefore, humbly advise His Majesty that the appeal ought to be allowed, that the judgment of March 16, 1906, ought to be set aside and a new trial granted, that the costs of the first trial ought to be awarded, that the costs of the new trial, and that the respondents ought to pay the costs of the motion for a new trial. The respondents would pay the costs of this appeal.

THE "AGINCOURT" CASE.
Before the Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Buckley and Lord Justice Kennedy on the 27th ult. in the Court of Appeal, Supreme Court of Judicature, the case was heard of the *Agincourt* Steamship Company (Limited) v. The Eastern Extension, Australasia, and China Telegraph Company (Limited) and the Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited). This was an appeal from a decision of Mr. Justice Fry, reported in *The Times* Law Reports, 22, 1907, and in 23 *The Times* Law Reports, 330. The plaintiffs were the owners of the steamship *Agincourt*, and the defendants were the owners of submarine telegraph cables, the portion of which were laid across the bed of the Yangtze River, in the neighbourhood of Wansung, China. On August 3, 1905, the *Agincourt* while in the course of a voyage from Shanghai to San Francisco, via Japan, in charge of a licensed pilot, anchored in the river, and on the next morning, there being indications of an approaching typhoon, the anchor was weighed and the vessel proceeded further up the river to a safer anchorage, and later the port anchor was let go. At daylight on September 2nd it was necessary for the safety of the vessel that the anchors should be got up. Accordingly, the port anchor was weighed, but it was found to be foul of a telegraph cable. It was then let go and the starboard anchor hove up, when it also was found to be foul of a telegraph cable. The telegraph cables were, the plaintiffs alleged, the property of the defendants jointly, or in the property of the first defendant, the Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited), the Eastern Extension, Australasia, and China Telegraph Company (Limited), and the Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited). Important Notice to Owners, Captains, and Pilots of Steamers and Sailing Vessels.—The submarine telegraph companies in the Far East desire to draw attention to the fact that telegraph cables, when caught by ship's anchors, chains, &c., as frequently happens, are unfortunately often damaged or broken in the endeavour to free the anchor or broken in the same time often lost or damaged. It is consequently in the interest of all concerned that in such cases the greatest care should be taken not in any way to forcibly strain the cable when hooked, but

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DAKOTA. British str. 2553, W. A. Ross, 29th May—San Francisco via Shanghai and Canton 24th April, Kersone Oil.
FEDERATION. Chinese str. 1890, Gillespie, 29th May—Swatow 18th May, General—Chinese.
HAIKUN. British str. 616, A. J. Robson, 29th May—Coast Ports via Swatow 28th May, General—D. Lappek & Co.
JOSHI MARU. Japanese str. 592, H. S. Smith, 29th May—Tientsin 25th May, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
MAITI. British str. 3099, H. A. Peters, 29th May—Bombay 14th May, Mails and General—P. O. S. N. Co.
Nip. Norwegian str. 229, G. Haraldisen, 29th May—Beigen 24th May, Rice, Flower and Fish—Wallin & Co.
WAKASA MARU. Japanese str. 3384, Anton Christensen, 29th May—London via Singapore 29th April, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
YUKAWA. British str. 1150, Myrick, 29th May—Avey 27th May, General—Hatche Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

29th May.
Hatched on. German str. for Singapore.
Arrived on. German str. for Polo Land.
DEPARTURES.
29th May.
AMERICA. British str. for Shanghai.
CHONGING. German str. for Swatow.
DAPHNE. German str. for Swatow.
FEDERATION. Chinese str. for Swatow.
GLEN. British str. for Europe.
GUANGHAI. British str. for Amoy.
HAIKUN. French str. for Haiphong.
INZAI MARU. Japanese str. for Singapore.
KURANG. British str. for Shanghai.
MAITI. British str. for Shanghai.
OSAKA MARU. Japanese str. for Swatow.
TAIKO MARU. Japanese str. for Kutchinok.
TRIUMPH. German str. for Haiphong.
WAKASA MARU. Japanese str. for Swatow.
ZWEI. British str. for Sumatra.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Chinese str. *Feiching* reports: Light variable winds, and clear weather.
 The British str. *Yacoway* reports: Fine and clear, moderate N. E. wind and sea.
 The British str. *Haimun* reports: Light variable winds smooth sea, and fine clear weather.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

ARRIVED DOCKS.
KOWLOON DOCKS.—*Sorsogon*, *Tijlathap*, *Hue*, *Singhian*, *Su-an*, *Kuan*, *Kun*, *Empress of Japan*, *Fakht*.
COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.—*Maifang*, *Kaipan*.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship
"JAPAN."
 Captain J. G. Olfert, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 31st inst., at 3 p.m.
 This steamer has superior accommodation for passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light, and carries a duly certified Doctor.
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 Hongkong, 28th May, 1907. 983

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FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship
"HAIKUN."
 Captain A. J. Robson, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 31st inst., at 1 p.m.
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DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co.,
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 Hongkong, 28th May, 1907. 989

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM SHIPS.

FOR LONDON, ANTWERP AND HAMBURG VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship
"GLENLOGAN."
 Captain J. McGregor, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, 3rd June.
 For Freight or Passage apply to
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VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k," nearest Hongkong "h," midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w.," together with the number denoting the section.

SECTIONS.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON &c. VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	OCEANA	Brit. str.	—	W. Hayward, R.N.R.	P. O. S. N. Co.	On 1st June, at Noon.
LONDON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG VIA SUEZ CANAL.	GLENLOGAN	Brit. str.	—	J. McGregor	MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW	On 3rd June.
LONDON & ANTWERP.	FLINTSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	G. Phillips	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	About 3rd June.
MAITI, LEE, &c. VIA PORT OF CALL.	NOBE	Brit. str.	—	G. Phillips	P. O. S. N. Co.	About 5th June.
MAITEL, LEE, &c. VIA PORT OF CALL.	OCEANIAN	Den. str.	—	Magnus	MAGNUS MARITIMES	On 11th June, at 1 p.m.
COPENHAGEN & HAMBURG, SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.	PETRONIA	Den. str.	—	G. Boly	MELCHERS & CO.	About 15th June.
HAMBURG, VIA PORT OF CALL.	SEGOWIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Schnefeldt	MELCHERS & CO.	On 5th June, at Noon.
HAYRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SEGOVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Bahle	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 15th June.
NAPLES, HAYRE & HAMBURG.	SIAM	Ger. str.	k.w.	Peter	DODWELL & CO., LD.	On 12th July.
NEW YORK	ABAGONIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Barrett	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th June.
NEW YORK	NORMAN PRINCE	Am. str.	—	H. Pybus	ANSHOLD, KARBBERG & CO.	About 12th June.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	T. W. Garlick	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 6th June, at 4 p.m.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	TAMAR	Brit. str.	1 m.	G. C. Christensen	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 19th June, at Noon.
VICTORIA, &c. & TACOMA VIA JAPAN.	LIBERTY	Am. str.	—	McArthur	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 8th June.
CALIAO, IQUIQUE, VIA JAPAN PORTS, &c.	QUEEN	Brit. str.	—	C. Lindbergh	CHINA COMMERCIAL & CO.	On 27th June, at 4 p.m.
SALINA CRUZ, MEXICO, VIA MOJI, JAPAN.	MAITI	Brit. str.	—	Lenz	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 7th June, at Noon.
ALSTIRALIAN PORTS VIA TIMOR.	EASTERN	Brit. str.	—	Zwart	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th June, at 4 p.m.
AFRICAN PORTS VIA MANILA.	LEZ	Brit. str.	—	Lenz	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
AFRICAN PORTS VIA MANILA.	PELZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	C. F. Lockstone	MELCHERS & CO.	About 31st inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	PELZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	G. Hooker	P. O. S. N. Co.	On 12th June, at 4 p.m.
NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PELZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	J. G. Olfert	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 5th June, at 4 p.m.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KURANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	R. A. Peters	DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.	To-day, at 3 p.m.
CHEFOO & NEWCHANG	KURANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	W. P. Baker	P. O. S. N. Co.	On 1st June, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	MAITI	Brit. str.	—	Dahle	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 4th June.
SHANGHAI	SWOWANG	Brit. str.	—	J. H. Brown	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 5th June, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SILESIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	R. Meiners	MELCHERS & CO.	About 5th June.
SHANGHAI	YOHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	H. S. Smith	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th June.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ROON	Ger. str.	—	A. J. Robson	OSAKA SHOSHIN KAISHA	On 2nd June, at 9 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SEPIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Robertson	DOUGLAS LARPAK & CO.	To-morrow, at 1 p.m.
SHANGHAI, CHINGWANGTAO, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CATHAY	Den. str.	—	L. D. Northcote	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st June, at 4 p.m.
TAMSU VIA SWATOW & AMOY	YUENHANG	Brit. str.	—	J. W. Walker	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd June, at 4 p.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	RUHL	Brit. str.	—	T. Mayrick	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	To-morrow, at 4 p.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & SHANGHAI	TAMING	Brit. str.	—	R. Almond	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 1st June, at Noon.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	A. W. Underbridge	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th June, at Noon.
MANILA	YUENHANG	Brit. str.	—	E. Fraser	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 1st June, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	TAMING	Brit. str.	—	E. Finlayson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th June, at Noon.
MANILA	YUENHANG	Brit. str.	—	Jameson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st June, at 4 p.m.
CEBU & ILOILO	CHIHIL	Brit. str.	—	Imben	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, Daylight.
HOIHOW & PAIPHONG	BOHRO	Ger. str.	—	R. Houghton	MELCHERS & CO.	On 5th June, at 9 a.m.
HOIHOW & PAIPHONG	BOHRO	Ger. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.	On 1st June, Daylight.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	Brit. str.	—			

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RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila.	On 1st June, Noon.
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For Freight or Passage apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
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Hongkong, 4th May, 1907.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"YUENHANG"	Friday, 31st May, 4 p.m.
SANDAKAN VIA KUDAT	"MAURANG"	Saturday, 1st June, daylight.
SHANGHAI	"KWONGSANG"	Saturday, 1st June, 4 p.m.

These Steamers have superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.
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 Rangoon, 30th May, 1907. 18

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DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILING
MARSEILLES, HAYRE, COPENHAGEN & BALITIC PORTS.	"SIAM"	Middle of June
MARSEILLES, HAYRE, COPENHAGEN & ST. PETERSBURG.	"SAN DOMINGO"	End of June
COPENHAGEN and St. PETERSBURG Direct	"PETRONIA"	About 15th June
SHANGHAI, CHINGWANGTAO, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	"CATHAY"	About 20th June

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CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH

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VIA

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Steamers	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
TREMONT	9,606	T. W. Garlick	On 8th June

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CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE. ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESSE.

The twin-screw s.s. "SHAWMUT" and "TREMONT" are fitted with very Superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried in cold storage.

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 QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, HONGKONG, 4th March, 1907. 7

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BY the new steamers, "REHENARIA," "HABSBURG" and "HOHENSTAUFEN." These steamers offer to the public the highest comfort yet attained in ocean travelling. They have very large cabins, provided WITH ONLY LOWER BERTHS. The cabins are amply fitted with fans. Laundry on Board. Doctor and Stewardsesses carried. These steamers call at PLYMOUTH homeward, at SOUTHAMPTON outward and at NAPLES in both directions.

In addition to these boats, the steamers "SCANDIA" & "SILESIA" carry first-class passengers. Return tickets issued at reduced rates available for two years. Through tickets to be had to New York via Naples and Hamburg.

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FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA.	FOR THE STRAITS, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, PLYMOUTH, HAVRE, & HAMBURG.
SILESIA ... 4th June	SILESIA ... 12th July
SCANDIA ... 2nd July	SCANDIA ... 9th August
HABSBURG ... 1st August	HABSBURG ... 6th September
REHENARIA ... 1st September	
HOHENSTAUFEN ... 1st October	

FREIGHT SERVICE.

NEXT SAILINGS OUTWARD:
 SILESIA ... FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA ... 4th June
 SCANDIA ... FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA ... 10th June
 SAMSIA ... FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA ... 29th June

NEXT SAILINGS HOMEWARD:
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Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS, Also via Aden or Port Said by the "ARABIC PERSIAN SERVICE" to Arabian and Persian Gulf Ports.

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ARAGONIA ... NEW YORK ... 10th June

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 (Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

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Captain McArthur, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, 1st June, at Noon.
 This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.
 This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.
 A Stewardsess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

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 Hongkong, 6th May, 1907. 883

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS.

PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading Issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN and SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"OCEANA."

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 Silk and Valuable, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.
 For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
 Superintendent.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1907. 1

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS LIMITED.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"FLINTSHIRE."

Will be despatched for the above Ports on or about MONDAY, the 3rd June.
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 Hongkong, 11th May, 1907. 905

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, FOR NEW YORK.

1907

S.S. "SHIMOSA" ... 9th June.

S.S. "BRAHMA" ... 23rd June.

S.S. "SAINT PATRICK" ... 6th July.

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 Hongkong, 6th May, 1907. 737

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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THE Steamship

"OCEANIAN."

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

FOR	PER	DATE
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Nagasaki	Thursday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Kobe	Thursday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Yokohama	Thursday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Kobe and Yokohama	Thursday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Yokohama	Thursday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Kobe and Yokohama	Thursday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Yokohama	Thursday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Kobe and Yokohama	Thursday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Yokohama	Thursday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Kobe and Yokohama	Thursday, 30th, 9.00 A.M.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA,
HONGKONG AND SAN FRANCISCO

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Extra Postage 10 cents.

Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.

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JOINT STOCK SHARES.

HONGKONG, May 29th.

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Green Island Cement

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North China

Union

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HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From May 28th to 31st June, 1907.

To correct Zone Time add 23 min. and 18 sec.

High Water. Low Water.

Hour. Day. Month. Year. Hour. Day. Month. Year.

Thurs. 30. 10. 5. 1907. Thurs. 30. 10. 5. 1907.

Fri. 31. 11. 5. 1907. Fri. 31. 11. 5. 1907.

Sat. 1. 12. 5. 1907. Sat. 1. 12. 5. 1907.

Sun. 2. 1. 6. 1908. Sun. 2. 1. 6. 1908.

Mon. 3. 2. 6. 1908. Mon. 3. 2. 6. 1908.

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VESSELS EXPORTED.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. str. *Montcalm* arrived Shanghai

at 11 p.m. on Sunday the 26th May, and left

again at 7 a.m. Monday for Nagasaki where she

is due to arrive at 10 p.m. on Tuesday the 28th

May.

The C.P.R. str. *Tatler*, arrived Shanghai at

10.30 a.m. on Sunday the 26th May, and left

again at 5 p.m. on Monday for Hongkong where

she is due to arrive here to-morrow at 8 p.m.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. *Giesse* has left Kobe via

Nagasaki and Shanghai on Sunday p.m. the

26th May, and may be expected here on or

about June 4th.

The I.G.M. str. *Roon* carrying the German

Mail with dates from Berlin of the May 7th

has left Colombo on Sunday 26th May a.m.,

and may be expected here on or about June 5th

Wednesday.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-China str. *Kutub* left Calcutta

for this port via the Straits on 14th May, and

may be expected here to-day.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The E. & A. str. *Adelphi* left Sydney on

16th instant for this port.

The J. C. & L. str. *Thibault* left Kaituma

via Hongkong for the port on the 21st May, and

may be expected here to-day.

The T.K.K. str. *America* will sail

from Yokohama on the 24th May, and is therefore

due to arrive at Hongkong via Manila on the

3rd June.

The J.C. & L. str. *Hilary* left Marseilles for

this port on the 26th May, and may be expected

here on or about the 31st June.

The J.C. & L. str. *Silver* sails from Yokohama

on the 28th May, and is therefore due to arrive

at this port on the 3rd June.

PASSENGERS.

Per *Wakana Maru*, from London for Hong-

kong Mrs. Tasker and child, Mrs. Eastman

for Yokohama, Mrs. H. O. O'Brien, Miss O'Brien,

Messrs. J. Thomson, S. Hazell, Shik, McBain,

Abdulla, Rahman, and Alwan.

Per *Adelphi*, from London, from London,

Mr. N. McRobertson, from Marseilles, Messrs.

F. J. Ball, G. Worby, D. I. Dunlop, and W.

N. Stoberling, from Colombo, Mr. and Mrs.

Blackett, from Brindisi, Mr. G. H. Hill, from

Penang, Mr. Loat Cheong, from Singapore,

Mr. and Mrs. Blackett, Dr. Woods and amah,

Lt. A. H. Galt, Messrs. C. H. F. Thompson,

Perpetua, from London, from London, from

London, Mr. and Mrs. Blenckner and child,

Messrs. H. B. Bates, W. R. Hooper, and H. W.

Thompson, from Gibraltar, Mr. H. P. Fletcher,

from Marseilles, Rev. B. L. Ansell, from Bom-

bay, Miss Staples, and Mr. M. A. Czeroni,

from Colombo, Mr. Buckland's amah, from

Singapore, Mrs. Will, for Yokohama, from

Marseilles, Mr. F. Jacot, from Penang, Mrs.